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Old North United Methodist Church

Our mission is
"To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World"



Lectionary Reading This Week

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
Psalms 126
Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to Old North, home to the historic 1832 Chapel
2nd Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, December 13, 2020

9:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Advent Candle Lighting

Reader: Isaiah 61:1-3, 8-11

Kim Salmon

Welcome

Rev. Mike Monahan

Prelude

"An Important Event"

Robert Schumann

Invocation

Children's Message

Cynthia Jones

Invitation To Prayer

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Giving to God

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

"Prelude in C"

J. S. Bach

Offertory Prayer

Scripture

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Kim Higgins

Sermon

Solo

"God Almighty, We are Waiting"

Words: E. Ann Bell

Music: Rowland H. Prichard; harm. from The English Hymnal, 1906

Words: ©2005 Hope Publishing Company

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Postlude

"Sinfonia No. 6 in E Major"

J. S. Bach

Prayer Requests

Seth Adams
Joshua Althouse
Megan Antes
Erik Arneson
Ashley Barrett
Bob Barron
Mary Bear
Sherrie Conner
Rocklynn Crawford
Jeff Dodson and family
Micah Easley & family
D. J. Edmonston
Carole Fox
Connie French
David French
Toni French
Stephanie Fuquay
Mike Gerard
Wayne Gideon
Pat Hearn

Lori Bell Knight
Mary Lamb
Richard Lamping
August Leslie
Pat Mandel
Bill McCune
Hugh, Sally, Steve, & Ken McKnight
(Charlotte Thompson's brother & family)
Carol Morris
Sally & Joe Pack
Matthew Parker
Rick Pountain
Cruz Short
Eric Seastrunk
Barb Loader Singhaus
Tom Schellessor
Tom Smock
Allen Stremming
Lee & Bill Thomas
Annette Williams
Beth Williams

Unspoken Requests- 2

If you have a need or prayer request,
you may call or text Dianne Hobbs at
(812) 746-3394 or send an email to
office@oldnorthumc.com.

Those in Uniform

Jacob Althouse Aaron Dunville
Malorie Hobbs Jason Lewis
Grant Nickens

Homebound Prayer Requests

Hamilton Pointe

Howard Norlin - Apt. 120

The Village at Holiday Health Care

Barb Schaefer - Apt. 101

River Bend Nursing

Dorris Lagow - Room 302

Signature Healthcare

Mary Pountain

FAIR TRADE CORNER



Once again the soapstone artisans of Kenya have wowed us with a beautiful Holy Family! Stop by the Fair Trade Market on Saturday From 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. to see all the Wonderful handmade nativity sets we carry.

The Old North Fair Trade Market is open every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

UNITED CARING SHELTER

December 15 is the next dinner at the United Caring Services. We would once again like to ask those who have time to donate fruit bread. Each offering of home-made fruit bread is a reminder to the residents that someone took the time to make this special dessert. We cannot thank you enough for your support.
UCS Team

JUST FOR FUN

2020's official ornament



Birthdays this week

15 Dorris Lagow
Brenden Dunn
Niles Hostetler
17 Sue Goin
18 Robert Gilham
19 Sherry Dockery

Vital Statistics

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Contributions	\$ 5257.39
Mission Guatemala	\$ 100.00
Habitat	\$ 25.00
UCS	\$ 400.00
UMYH	\$ 325.00
St. Matthew's Food Pantry	\$ 590.00

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT ADVENT SERIES CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY! ADVENT STUDY - A STUDY OF LUKE

Plan to join the Intentional Faith Development class each Sunday morning in Advent as we look to the book of Luke for inspiration and hope during this holy and joyful time of the year. Come to class with an open mind and an open heart to hear the story of Christ's birth and life from Luke's unique perspective.

If you would like to join this always-interesting class but do not receive the Zoom invitation, please contact Raaf Stevens at rfsnas@yahoo.com or Jeannette Oakley at jltoakley@gmail.com. New perspectives are always welcome!

Thursday Night Bible Study Group Advent Study "Because of Bethlehem"

This study by Max Lucado is a 4 week study of the stressors that keep us from enjoying the true meaning of the Christmas season. Please, join us from 5:45 to 7:15 pm on Thursdays for this timely study. A zoom invitation will be sent by email weekly, so you can join anytime.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

At the December 7, 2020 Men's Group meeting, a decision was made to disburse surplus funds. A total of \$8000 was donated to the charities/ministries listed below:

United Methodist Youth Home
Rescue Mission
Habitat 2021 UMC Build
UMCOR
Boy Scouts
Vanderburgh County Humane Society

Dream Center
United Caring Services
St. Matthew's Food Pantry
MOPS
Salvation Army

These donations would not be possible without the ongoing support from Old North of our fundraising efforts through smoked meat sales, fish sandwich sales, and scrap metal donations. Merry Christmas to you and your families.

Old North Men's Group

DEVOTIONALS AND PRAYERS

Read Isaiah 35:1-10

The body does not consist of one member but of many.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:14 (NRSV)

TITLE

Not Alone

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

No matter where I am, I am part of the body of Christ.

I look forward to worshiping in community with my local congregation. I particularly love the special seasons of the church year, and I most want to be in church during Advent. The songs, the sermons, the decorations, and the music herald the coming of our Lord.

Last Advent, health problems kept me from attending services for several weeks. I felt alone and discouraged even though I knew my church family was praying for me. Sitting at home on a Sunday morning and feeling removed from the holiday season, I did what always encourages me — I opened my Bible.

As I read God's word, I felt encouraged. I wasn't alone after all! I realized again that I am part of a larger community, the body of Christ, and that believers all over the world were joining together to celebrate the Lord. I lit my Advent candles, played my favorite Christmas hymns, and celebrated the Lord's birth with my siblings in Christ all over the world.

DeVonna R. Allison (Florida, USA)

November/December issue of The Upper Room

Prayer: *Dear God, thank you for the community we find in you. Help us to feel connected to all our siblings in Christ, especially when we feel alone. Amen.*

From your Staff Parish Relations Committee

It would be an understatement to say that this year has been a challenge for our church staff to attempt to keep some semblance of normalcy for the church. Our custom at Old North has been to show our appreciation to the staff by presenting each of them with a monetary gift at Christmas time. This year we are continuing that tradition. However, since we are not meeting in person, we cannot personally collect those gifts.

We are asking that you send your donations for the staff Christmas gift to the church so that they can be received by Monday, December 21. Make sure the donation is clearly marked for Staff Christmas.

Let's show our continued support of our wonderful staff by being generous during this holiday season.

Thanks to the many who have sent early 70th birthday cards to me. It has been encouraging & appreciated. Get Well to others with cancer in particular. May you all be well.
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year, *Joe (Sally) Pack*

Opportunity for Giving

Because of Covid-19, several of our Old North MOPS families are struggling financially this year and will not be able to provide Christmas gifts for their children. If you would like to help these families, please contact Nancy Temme at 812-568-0373 or nstemme@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your kindness.